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**STATE DEPARTMENT** — After two years in Washington as chief of protocol, Angier Biddle Duke is getting the wanderlust and has asked for an overseas assignment. President Kennedy will grant the request, probably name Duke ambassador to Denmark. He'd replace William Blair, a former law partner of Adlai Stevenson, who will shift to a key post in Africa. Best bet to succeed Duke: Anthony Akers, now ambassador to New Zealand.

**LAS VEGAS** — The sudden cancellation of those three underground nuclear tests will have no effect on development of new U.S. atomic weapons. The tests were designed only to gain scientific information on the "cratering" (i.e., excavations) caused by nuclear explosions.

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